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Portraits of Black History

PUC celebrates African-American heritage this month.

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February is a month of divine love, but it is also a time for celebrating African American heritage for the new year.

At Purdue University Calumet throughout the month of February, there will be an air of African American pride throughout the campus in many different aspects.

PUC's Library Art Gallery displays illustrations of male and female heroes, some of which are Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a minister and civil rights leader, Rosa

Parks, a civil rights activist, Thurgood Marshall, a lawyer, judge and Supreme Court Justice, and Leontyne Price, a Lyric Opera Soprano.

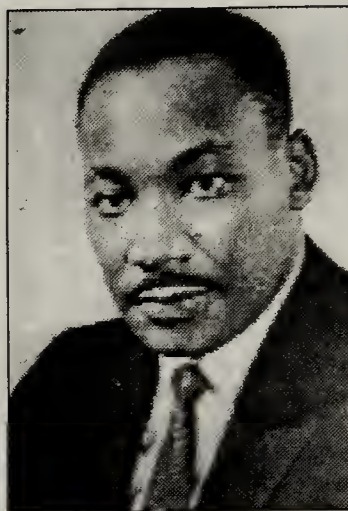
PUC Artist lecture series celebrated two events back-to-back. "Black Man Rising," a choreopoem by J. H. Chapmyn, Feb 1. The cast consisted of three men of African American Heritage. The message of the performance is to guide viewers out of a lost dimension of stereotypical biases, and instill positive thoughts toward the majority of black men in America.

At the start of their performance, each cast member struck repeatedly upon their conga drums, and every breath that one cast member blew into an African flute gave a spiritual essence to

their vocal performance and conveyed rhythmic delight to the mind, body and souls of the viewers. As the dialogue grew stronger, many viewers reacted with a smile, verbal gestures, an "Amen" or standing while clapping their hands. At the end of the choreopoem, the viewers gave a standing ovation.

In addition to black pride, on Feb. 8, PUC Minority Agenda Committee enticed music lovers in Alumni Hall with a "Jazz explosion and Ethnic Dinner Dance," performed by the renowned Ron Pickett Quartet. Everyone was well dressed for the occasion. Some came in their African attire. Some dressed in suits, while others came as they felt comfortable.

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Photos by Cynthia Govea

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., left, and James Baldwin, playwright and novelist, are two of the photos of African-American greats in a collection by J. Edward Bailly III on display at the PUC Library.

The great phone scam

BY DANNY IVANKOVICH JR.
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Students beware. There is a new money making scam going on in the telecommunications business. According to Robert Hopper, director of Information Technology Systems at PUC, Global Communications is using the 809 area code to lure people into calling a fixed number. That 809 area code is used to charge a person maximum international rates up to \$25 a minute.

How might this scam affect students at PUC? According to

Hopper, Global Communications leaves fictitious urgent messages on e-mail and paging systems. Those messages warn people of outstanding debts and threaten to take judicial action.

One message states, "I am writing to give you a final 24 hours to settle your outstanding account." The message warns, "If I have not received the settlement in full, I will commence legal proceedings without further delay. If you would like

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New core requirement passed

BY LEAH TENNIONE
Staff Writer

The Council of Faculty Delegates passed a new general education requirement, which was voted on by PUC faculty members. The general education requirement will encompass the entire university.

The proposal for the requirement was introduced by Eugene Schlossberger. It suggested that there be an obligatory core requirement for all new students entering PUC in the fall of 1997.

The proposal for the core requirement would entail a four course sequence in history, two course sequence in writing, one course in critical thinking, and one course in ethical decision-making.

In addition to this a standardized test, substantiating a student's command of basic math skills, will be administered.

"Certain skills are essential marks of an educated person, are necessary to learn almost anything, and are frequently employed by any thoughtful member of our society," stated Schlossberger.

The statement suggests that a person is not educated if he does not have the basic framework required to function in today's society. Fulfillment of the core requirements

General Curriculum

General education requirements:

- ☐ English Composition credit hours 6
- ☐ Natural Sciences credit hours 3
- ☐ Mathematics or Statistics credit hours 3
- ☐ Humanities credit hours 3
- ☐ Social Sciences credit hours 3
- ☐ Speech Comm. credit hours 3
- ☐ Computer Utilization hours to be determined by departments
- ☐ Wellness and Technology hours to be determined by departments

These requirements will apply to any student seeking a bachelor's degree beginning in Fall 1997.

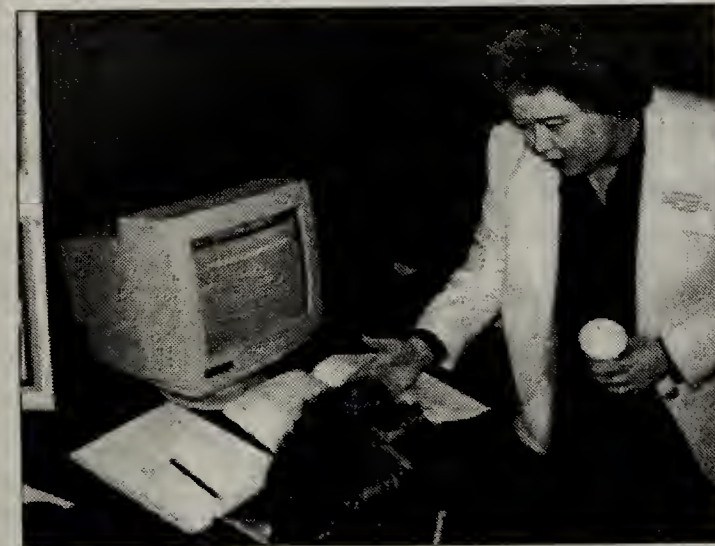
will give PUC students the basic framework needed to go forth, prosper and become a functional educated part of society. The addition of a core requirement of 21 credit hours

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Celebrating the Diversity of Faculty Scholarship



Photos by Gregg Leonard



Top: David Detmer, Associate Professor of Philosophy, explains the paintings of John Steuart Curry to Dennis Barbour, head of the English and Philosophy Department.

Left: Sue Conners shows Professor Sekhar of the EET department the distance learning site on the Web for CIS 490A. The showcase of Faculty Scholarship took place in Alumni Hall Thursday, Feb. 6.

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ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Frequently asked questions about financial aid!

By ANTHONY G. GUNIA

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As discussed last week, it's that time of year for all Purdue Calumet students seeking financial assistance to complete the 1997-98 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

The FAFSA needs to be completed and mailed for processing by March 1 in order to benefit from the many federal, state and Purdue Calumet financial aid programs for the 1997-98 academic year. It is provided free of charge by the United States Department of Education and is available in The Office of Financial Aid, Gyte 45.

Applying for financial aid can be a confusing experience, as every student's financial situation is different, and there are various types of financial assistance available (loans, grants, etc.).

Therefore, here is a list of several Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) directed to the Office of Financial Aid staff each year by our students and the appropriate answers.

Q. How do I apply for financial aid?

A. For priority consideration for the next academic year, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1. In this way you will be considered for all federal and state financial aid, as well as aid awarded through Purdue Calumet.

Q. What types of financial aid are covered by the FAFSA?

A. All forms of federal aid are covered including Pell Grants, Supplemental Grants, Perkins Loans, Stafford Loans and Work-Study, along with state aid, such as the Higher Education Award and Twenty-First Century Scholarship. Various Purdue Calumet scholarships are also awarded based on the FAFSA results.

Q. Why is it important that I submit the FAFSA by March 1?

A. Listed below are two financial aid award scenarios for a full-time student attending Purdue Calumet during the current academic year with financial need of \$6,911. The first award package is for a student completing and submitting the FAFSA PRIOR to March 1. The other is for the same student submitting the FAFSA AFTER March 1.

Applying BEFORE March 1	Applying AFTER March 1
Pell Grant: \$1,420	Pell Grant: \$1,420
State Grant: 2,120	State Grant: 0
Suppl. Grant: 960	Suppl. Grant: 0
Work Study: 1,800	Work Study: 0
Stafford Loan: 611	Stafford Loan: 2,625
TOTAL AID: \$6,911	TOTAL AID: \$4,045
UNMET NEED: \$ 0	UNMET NEED: \$2,866

Notice that by completing and submitting the FAFSA by March 1, the student has no unmet need. Also, the majority of this student's aid is in the form of grants and work study as opposed to loans. Grants and work study awards do not have to be repaid; loans do!

Q. What is the difference among grants, scholarships, loans and work-study?

A. Grants and scholarships are a form of "gift" aid, which do not have to be repaid. Loans and work-study are a form of "self-help" aid. Loans require repayment, with interest, usually beginning six months after the student graduates or falls below half-time enrollment status. Through work-study, a student earns money from employment, generally on-campus.

Q. What is the difference between a subsidized student loan and an unsubsidized student loan?

A. For a subsidized loan, the federal government will pay the interest on the loan while the student is enrolled in school at least half-time. For an unsubsidized loan, the student is responsible for the interest accruing on the loan while enrolled in school at least half-time. Interest on the unsubsidized loan can either be repaid while in school, or capitalized on the principal.

Q. What happens after I submit the FAFSA?

A. Within four to six weeks after submitting the FAFSA the Purdue Calumet Office of Financial Aid will receive the results and develop a "financial aid package," combining funds from various sources to help meet your financial need. You may receive a letter requesting additional financial documents before any aid is awarded. Please respond promptly to this request, as financial aid cannot be awarded to you without these documents! Once all documentation is received, the Office of Financial Aid will mail an award letter to you indicating the types and amounts of financial aid in your "package."

Q. How can I obtain information about scholarships and financial aid?

A. Scholarship opportunities are posted regularly in a searchable format along with scholarship applications on the Office of Financial Aid World-Wide Web home page, which can be accessed at the following address:

<http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/public/finaid/finaid.htm>

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Should you have further questions concerning the financial aid process, feel free to contact the Office of Financial Aid, located in the Gyte Building, Room 45. Our office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Our office phone number is 219/989-2301. You also may send us financial aid questions via Internet e-mail at:

finaid@calumet.purdue.edu

A reply to your e-mail question(s) will be sent to your Internet address within 24 hours.

At a glance

student organizations

Diabetes support group to meet

The diabetes support group will meet monthly. Meetings will be off campus at a residence in Munster starting late February. For more information, call Constance Karras at 836-5461.

Running club will meet

Now that the deep freeze has thawed, the running club will be

meeting for group runs every two weeks. For more information, call Amy Taylor at 932-0371 or Paul Stofko at 322-1397.

SG Senator positions open

There are three senator positions available. Student Government will accept applications from Feb. 10 to Feb. 19. Applications will be available, and can be turned in the Student Government office and in the Student Activities Office.

around campus

Marriage and Family Therapy Center

The Marriage and Family Therapy Center is an available referral resource when working with students.

It offers individual, couple, and family therapy to students and community members. A sliding fee scale is used based on family size and income. The Marriage and Family Therapy Center is part of the Marriage and Family Therapy Master's program, accredited by the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT).

Therapy is provided by graduate interns, who are closely supervised by faculty who are Approved Supervisors in AAMFT. For more information, call 989-2027.

Child Care Center

The Riley Child Center is available to all students, staff, faculty, and the general public. The center serves children from the ages of 3 to 12, Monday to Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 989-2343.

Sigrid Stark Writing Contest

Information packets, detailing categories for the Sigrid Stark Writing Contest, are now available in the office of the Department of English and Philosophy (Lawshe 232). Any Purdue Calumet student registered for the fall 1996 or spring 1997 semesters may submit entries.

Entries are due Monday, March

24, 5 p.m. A ceremony, in which the recognized contestants will receive awards, will be held April 11.

This awards ceremony will feature a panel with three creative writers, Rohan Preston, African-American poet and short story writer, art and music critic; editor David Hernandez, specialist in combining his poetry with Latin-American jazz; and Nora Blakely, poet and daughter of Gwendolyn Brooks.

Chemistry speaker

Professor Wilfrid Tysoe, from the Department of Chemistry, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, will speak to the Student Affiliate Chapter of the American Chemical Society.

"Understanding Processes at Surfaces: Lubrication and Catalysis"

Mr. Michael Anderson from the Society of Tribologists and Lubrication Engineers (STLE) will be on hand to talk to interested students about the advantages of STLE membership.

Time in a capsule

A time capsule, to be opened on Purdue Calumet's 100th anniversary, will be placed in Founders Plaza in May. Please send your suggestions as to what should go in the time capsule via e-mail to Gary Edwards or Annette Slager by March 31.

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Quote of the week

'I really hope no white person ever has cause to write about me because they never understand Black love is Black wealth and they'll probably talk about my hard childhood, and never understand all the while I was quite happy.'

-Nikki Giovanni,
Nikki-Rosa, 1970

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History

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At the start of the jazz entertainment "Lift every voice and sing," was sung in appreciation of black heritage. An assortment of ethnic cuisine, prepared by Vanzant's Ribs On The Run, lay waiting for feasting eyes and drawn appetites. Before everyone began to eat, a prayer was conveyed to thank God for the feast.

As everyone ate, the Ron Pickett Quartet, along with a female vocalist, entertained the audience. The styles of the players were artistic, and the acoustics of the instruments were genuine. Some couples strut-



Nikki Giovanni
'Princess of Black Poetry'

ted a steppers dance. Others slow danced, while many tapped their hands and feet to the beat. At the end of the musical, everyone clapped for the performance.

Black history is like "a tree planted by the river water," vast and great revolving around the mind state. All in all, black history will always stand tall all year around.

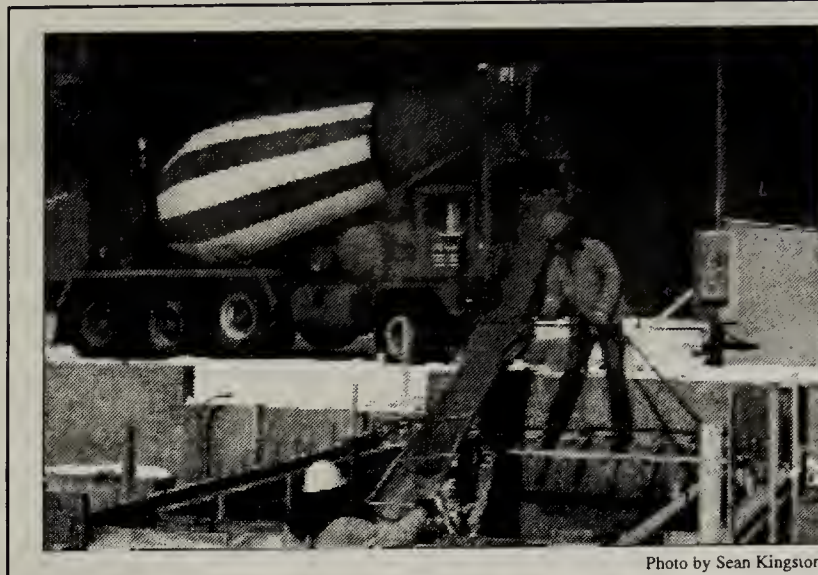


Photo by Sean Kingston

Construction takes no winter break

Construction on the Classroom Office building doesn't take a break from the cold weather. Workers from Sollitt construction poured concrete earlier this month. The building is expected to be completed later this year.

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beyond the limits of a discipline will increase a student's realm of education.

There is a disadvantage to this proposal. It will require interdepartmental structural changes to create the four course sequence to fulfill the proposed requirements. However, the creation of a four

course series will create new employment opportunities at PUC.

The decision of which courses fulfill core requirements will be sanctioned by individual departments. The party responsible for making sure that each department has an appropriate group of courses fulfilling the general education requirements will be the Council of Faculty Delegates.

Scam

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to discuss this matter to avoid court action, call Mike Murray at Global Communications."

People call the number and get duped into paying an expensive phone bill.

Another way this company swindles people into dialing its number is leaving messages on voice mail or answering machines

claiming to have information on a family member who is ill, has died or has been arrested. Telecommunications officials advise checking with local operators for assistance if unfamiliar numbers are left on e-mails, pagers and answering systems before making a return call.

They suggest a simple call to an operator might save substantial money.

At-home HIV tests become rite of passage for some teens and twentysomethings

(CPS) - It's becoming a rite of passage for some teens and twentysomethings, but one with an anxious '90s twist: the at-home HIV test.

Though checking for the virus that causes AIDS is something many find difficult to broach with friends and parents, surveys and interviews indicate that a small but increasing number of young people want to know if they are HIV positive. Many also fear face-to-face encounters at clinics or hospitals, therefore, anonymous testing options appear to be gaining in popularity.

The Federal Drug Administration recently approved two in-home HIV test kits that are available over the counter, Confide by Johnson & Johnson and Home Access. "Just talking about getting tested was, and still is, hard to do with my friends," says a 22-year-old San Jose, CA man who recently tested positive using Confide.

The man, who asked not to be identified, says he took the home test because he wanted to remain anonymous, and not go to a clinic. "Choosing to get tested was a lonely experience," he says. "The subject of contracting a life-threatening disease was too frightening and serious for my friends and I to even touch." Counseling has since helped him deal with the situation.

The Confide and Home Access tests require the user to take a blood sample at home and then mail it to a lab for analysis. The person then calls for the results. Names are not used. A code is used for identification.

If the test comes back positive, a counselor is put on the line to offer advice. The results are often not available for a week. Cost of the kits ranges from \$35 to \$50. Though the companies that make the kits do not divulge sales figures, a spokesman for the 32-state Walgreen drug store chain says sales have risen since the tests were introduced last summer.

"Overall, we're seeing good sales of both

Confide and Home Access," says spokesman Michael Polizin, who also would not release specific figures. "Our numbers indicate a steady growth nationwide."

With about 40 percent of teens reporting that they are sexually active and nearly half reporting they do not use condoms, being tested is more important than ever, health officials say.

But even though the at-home tests will likely "attract young people because they are anonymous," says Marty Grimes of the ARIS Project in San Jose, "the importance of good pre-test and post-test counseling is paramount because most young people do not have support systems, and they make less rational decisions. Young people are more likely to jump off a cliff than talk about living with HIV."

The referrals he received from Confide counselors over the phone "were pretty good," the San Jose man says, "but the waiting time for the results (seven days, in his case) was excruciating. Being able to talk to someone would have been helpful, I think."

It is this need to talk, to get knowledgeable advice about how to cope with the situation, that is at the heart of concerns voiced by HIV-AIDS counselors like Grimes. "The sides are split about the counseling," explains Brenda Lein, who works with Project Inform in San Francisco. Project Inform is group that provides information about AIDS and HIV.

One side believes HIV testing that does not include face-to-face, pre and post-test counseling "may not be valuable, even dangerous," she says.

"Others... believe that HIV testing through in-home collection provides additional options to individuals and has a place in meeting the diverse needs of our community."

Both home tests offer over-the-phone counseling, primarily for people who test positive, but also for those who do not.

Career Corner

Campus Recruiting is now underway at Purdue University Calumet's Office of Career Development and Placement.

The following companies/organizations will be interviewing in the near future. Please contact our office at 989-2419 for further information.

RADIOSHACK - Monday, Feb. 17 - Wendy Tarman - Retail Sales Management - Open to all majors AAS or BA/BS degrees - Full time - Alumni, recent grads and May '97 grads.

AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL SERVICES - Presentation at PUC - Thursday, Feb. 20 - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Room C-321 - Laura Golembieski - Position for full time - All majors welcome - people with a 4-year degree who have extensive work history in sales or similar industry - Sign up

in Room C-349

US STEEL - Date to be determined - probably first week in March 97 - Steve Golub - Co-op and Intern positions - Electrical and Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Techs (BS degrees), Supervision (BS degree) and Manufacturing Engineering Tech.

BACHRACH CLOTHING - Wednesday, Feb. 19 - Dale Garthus - Table in Concourse of Student Faculty Library Building from 10 p.m. to 2 p.m. - Manager and Associate Manager training positions - AAS degrees - some retail experience.

GENERAL ELECTRIC - Thursday, Feb. 20 - interviews - David Jancosek - Full time Field Engineer - BS Electrical Engineering major - GPA 2.8 - Dec. 96 and May 97 grads.

NIKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS (formerly COPYRITE) - Monday, Feb. 24 - Kim Lucas - General Management (BS degree), Marketing, General Communications, Organizational Communications and Public Relations majors - GPA requirement of 2.5 - Alumni, recent grads and May '97 grads.

ADVANCED INFORMATION SERVICES, INC. - Tuesday, Feb. 25 - Presentation with refreshments - Room C-321 - Ralph Perez from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. - All computer majors. **INTERVIEWS** - Full-time positions - Wednesday, Feb. 26 - All computer majors - 3.0 GPA - Alumni up to May 97 grads. Students are strongly encouraged to attend Presentation on Tuesday, Feb. 25 if planning to sign up for an interview.

Smart Career Moves Start With This Seminar

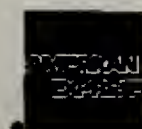
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Wellness not just a textbook lesson

There are new requirements that will apply to all new students entering PUC in the fall. Included in these general education requirements is a wellness requirement with departments determining the number of credit hours.

There are many subjects that need to be required to prepare students for the real world. Wellness is definitely a subject that would help prepare students, but should it be forced upon them?

It is important to bring the idea of wellness to the attention of new students and one way to do it is by making it a requirement. Unfortunately, some students will look upon this requirement as just another obstacle the administration has set in their path.

There is no doubt that students will leave the class with some new knowledge, but how much of a long term impact will this have in their lives? Health can be taught from a textbook, but it is dependent upon the individual to make that knowledge work.

At the very least, students will be exposed to the concept of wellness. There would be students who would not take history if it were not required and the same goes for wellness.

The Wellness requirement is a good idea, but will it fulfill the role it is intended to?

After about two years of debate, the new general curriculum has passed the Council of Faculty Delegates who think it is necessary. The wellness requirement is something new students will have to consider before beginning their college careers at PUC.

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Clinton seeks bipartisan administration

Sincerity or one more hollow promise?

Commentary
 By Scott Thompson

Let me begin by admitting that I belong to a endangered species. I am, for all intents and purposes, a straight ticket Republican. Growing up in west Texas, I was instilled with a conservative, Southern Baptist mindset. However, as I age and mature, I am reevaluating my beliefs and values to decide whether or not I truly believe. For the most part, I have only strengthened my beliefs, but in areas such as politics, my views have changed over the years.

No longer do I blindly agree with the entire Republican platform, yet I do tend to lean towards the right end of the spectrum. I strive to be open minded, but not become feeble-minded. Many people have developed saddle sore from riding the fence a little too frequently. In this search for political enlightenment, I discovered that Democrats are not the only politicians that lie. They are just the best and most practiced in the art of deception.

With all of this new found knowledge, I listened to the president's State of the Union message. In his speech, Clinton called the nation to act on all the demands for reform of the national government. His specific pleas were all insignificant in com-

parison to his call for a bipartisan administration.

My cynical nature assumes that Clinton is yet again jumping on a Republican bandwagon in an attempt to steal support from the other side. My optimistic side, however, hopes that he has finally become more of a statesman than a politician. "The people of this nation elected us all. They want us to be partners, not partisans."

I hope that this statement is produced from a man that is truly interested in solving the nations' problems any way possible. I desperately want to believe that Clinton has the country's best interest at heart when he made his speech. Those of us that have recently started a family or are planning one in the near future are concerned about the world into which we will be bringing our children.

Once again Clinton is promising reform in health care, welfare, and education. He is a master of discussing the buzz words. Due to my primary loyalty to the country, I do not care that Clinton is not a Republican. I do however, care that he holds the most powerful office in the world. This term I, like many other Americans, want to see some results not related to his re-election strategy. The president's first responsibility is not to the Democratic party

or even to himself, but it is to the people of the United States.

It is not the goals Clinton has set with which I have a problem, but it is the execution and implementation of his ideas. He is not demanding enough of the American people. He is perpetuating the myth that the government is capable of solving anything. For example, he desires that all eight year olds be able to read. Not only is this expectation extremely low, but the parents must take responsibility for part of their children's education. I was able to read by the age of four and do not personally know anyone that learned any later than five. The credit for this ability goes more to my parents loving encouragement than any teacher I ever had.

The president must realize that he can only do so much. We as citizens must take responsibility for our futures, and not cling to the empty words of politicians. I am not, however, advocating anarchy. We must support our elected officials when they are behaving correctly and replace them when they go astray. After that we can only pray that the damage is repairable and the improvements are lasting.



Citadel's 'Tradition' Perpetuates Sociopathic Behavior

It's too soon to pronounce co-education at The Citadel a failure, but it is time to ask who's in charge at the formerly all-male, state-supported military college. Officials at the South Carolina school this week were forced to address the fact that two of four first-year female cadets refused to return for spring semester because classmates hazed them during the fall. The officials reaffirmed their commitment to make women welcome.

They need to control sociopathic behavior that some folks say has been occurring right under their noses.

On two separate occasions the two young women who withdrew had their clothes set on fire. These attacks apparently were not gender-based. Rather, burning clothes is hazing that sometimes occurs to cadets, male or female.

The Atlanta Journal-

Constitution reported that setting people's clothes on fire is "described by Citadel graduates as a tradition in Echo Company dating back at least a decade." That assessment was based on interviews with recent alumni who said they had heard of clothes-burning incidents while in school.

"I don't believe the Atlanta Journal-Constitution," said Citadel spokesman Terry Leedom. "There is no such tradition."

Whoever you believe, no one disputes that during the fall semester upperclassmen splashed Cutex nail polish remover on the clothes of some first-year cadets, including two women, and set it afire.

This is a pathetic testimonial to the discipline The Citadel purports to instill in its students. The school may no longer be sexist,

but it continues to host equal opportunity arsonists.

The lawyer for Jeanie Mentavlos, one of two women who left, said that in one incident a Citadel upperclassman set fire to the clothes of his client, another woman and two male cadets.

The attorney told a reporter that for weeks Mentavlos wore a Citadel sweatshirt in which her classmates had burned a hole. He said Mentavlos was instructed by cadet superiors to tell anyone who asked that she had been smoking in bed, a violation of school rules.

Leedom called the latter charge "nothing but fabrication." I call all of this positively medieval.

When I think of burning clothes, I think of the Inquisition and the selection of supposed heretics for sadistic tests of religious faith that, in the end, had

more to do with the depravity of the pious than the agnosticism of the victims.

I also think of Citadel-attendee Pat Conroy's 1980 novel "The Lords of Discipline." The book describes a cadet's attempt to protect the first black cadet at the fictitious "Carolina Military Institute" from hazing. The made-up school's students act an awful lot like their current real-life Citadel counterparts. People survive this kind of abuse, but it doesn't make them stronger.

I can understand why Hampton Walker, president of The Citadel's alumni association, would blame administrators for not preventing the hazing that drove out the two female cadets.

Solve problems, Walker told a Charleston, S.C., newspaper. "Don't give me tradition and heritage."

Especially traditions that seem

like tactics in a Red Chinese re-education camp for political prisoners.

As time-worn customs go, burning the clothes of the people under your command or making them wear those clothes as public humiliation ranks right up there with sex discrimination. It teaches nothing of redeeming value to either the arsonist or his victim.

If this stuff is common knowledge and has gone on year after year at The Citadel, the inmates seem to be running the asylum.

In that case, the institution that only recently stopped promoting sex discrimination has yet to come to grips with perpetuating sociopathic behavior in the name of character development.

Worse, it is administered by deluded weaklings who spout platitudes about discipline when they can't control the monsters they've created.

Protect yourself

Contraceptive measures guard against unwanted pregnancy, STD's

BY SUMMER CORONADO
Staff writer

Each day more than 70 million women around the world use some form of birth control to avoid pregnancy. For more than thirty years women have been offered a different number of birth control devices, none of which have ever proved to be 100% effective. So far, the most popular form of birth control is the birth control pill.

The birth control pill is a mixture of synthetic hormones Oestrogen and Progesterone. These hormones prevent the thickening of the Endometrium, (the lining of the womb), the ovaries from releasing an egg, and make the vaginal fluid thick and sticky so that it is harder for sperm to pass through. There are three different types of pills that can be taken.

Monophasic Pills, which contain 21 identical tablets taken everyday until the packet is finished. The following seven days no pills are taken and then another packet is started.

Phased Pills also contain 21 tablets, however, these pills contain a hormone in which the strength is varied throughout the month. Each of these types is made available in an everyday pill. In this packet, 28 pills are provided, seven of which contain no hormone. These pills are made to help women remember to take the pill everyday. The pill is the most effective with a less than 1% failure rate.

The second most effective

form of birth control is relatively new. The female condom has grown to be one of the most effective sources of birth control. The condom is made of polyurethane, a material that heats up during sex, which causes the condom to adhere to the vaginal wall like a second skin. Polyurethane is a 40 percent stronger fiber than used in male condoms, which makes it more durable, less likely to break, and can be used with oil-based lubricants. The condom is used by pinching the sides of the ring on the closed end of the condom together and inserting it into the vagina. The open ring at the bottom of the condom is left outside of the vagina. The estimated estimated failure rate is less than five percent, while serving as an STD (sexually transmitted disease) barrier.

The male condom was the first ever in its class to reduce the risk of pregnancy and at the same time help prevent the transmission of STD's. Condoms, are thin latex or lamb membrane cover that fits over an erect penis. When used properly, the condom has an average of a 4 percent failure rate.

However, because human error is so common when putting on condoms, failure rate can go as high 12 percent. Both percentages can be decreased if use is combined with a water-based spermicide.

The diaphragm, considered an archaic device by most women, is a rubber cup stretched over a

flexible ring. When used, it must be applied with spermicide and then inserted. The rubber cup acts as a barrier stopping sperm in their path. In case any do slip by, the spermicide acts as a safe guard. In order to obtain a diaphragm, one must be fitted by her gynecologist/clinician. Once obtained it may cause discomfort during application and may move while inside the vagina. On average, diaphragms have the highest rate of failure.

During irregular and proper use, it has a failure rate of almost 6 percent. During regular and proper use the rate of failure can shoot up 18 percent.

In case the condom breaks, your diaphragm moves during sex, or you forget to take your birth control pills, an emergency form of birth control can be obtained from your doctor.

The "Morning After Pill," a mixture of estrogen and progesterin, is a two dose treatment proven to be very effective. The pills must be taken within 72 hours of the first act of unprotected sex, a second dose is taken 12 hours after the first dose. Doctors are still not sure when the pills take effect, so women uncomfortable with termination of pregnancy should reconsider this option. Side effects include nausea, vomiting, breast tenderness, headaches, and dizziness. Side effects do not last longer than a few days.

To date, no company has applied for manufacturing rights of the morning after pill.

The pros and cons of each method

The pill:

Advantages

- Regulate menstrual flow.
- Doesn't interfere with the spontaneity of sexual activity.
- There is evidence which shows that women who have used the pill have lower rates of ovarian and endometrial cancers, and possibly other gynecological problems as well.

Disadvantages

- The pill offers no protection against any STD's. This makes the pill a poor choice for women with multiple sexual partners, unless used in conjunction with a backup contraceptive method, such as a condom.

- Some people note changes in bodily functions as a result of taking the pill. These changes include headaches, nausea, weight gain or loss, and mood changes.

- Long-term side effects may include increased risk of certain medical conditions, including breast cancer, heart disease and high blood pressure.

- Women who smoke have three to four times greater risk of heart attack and stroke than non-smokers on the pill.

- It is necessary to consult a doctor in order to start the using the pill.

The Female Condom:

Advantages

- The female condom can be inserted up to eight hours before sexual activity.

- The condom is made of polyurethane, which is 40 percent stronger than latex.

- Polyurethane also transmits heat.

- In addition to lining the inside of the vagina, the female condom also covers the outside part of the vagina and the base of the penis during intercourse, reducing skin-to-skin contact. This increases protection against STD's.

- Can be used with oil based condoms.

- There are no nerve endings in a woman's vaginal wall, thus once the female condom is in place, she cannot feel it.

Disadvantages

- UGLY! UGLY! UGLY!

- May cause skin irritation.

- When using the female condom for the first time it can be very difficult to insert.

The Male Condom

Advantages

- Most drug stores and gas stations carry them.

- They help fight against sexually transmitted diseases.

- Condoms have an assortment of different styles/sizes and colors. Even glow in the dark

- Most people can wear them without irritation.

Disadvantages

- Condoms have a failure rate by human error higher than any other contraceptive.

- Cannot be used with an oil based spermicide.

- One has stop in the middle of the activities to put them on.

- Condoms do not allow enjoyment of the moment. Once the male ejaculates, the condom must be removed.

The Diaphragm

Advantages

- Can inserted up to two hours before sex.

- Women can use it during their menstrual cycle.

Disadvantages

- Must be used with spermicide at all times.

- Can be painful when inserting.

- Can move during sex, thus leaving no protection at all.

- Does not in any way help to fight against sexually transmitted diseases.

- Must be obtained by a doctor/clinician

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Horoscopes

The sun goes into Pisces Tuesday, moving the emphasis from intellectual to emotional. Intuition will be a better guide than logic for the next several weeks. It's also a good phase for horticulture, especially on Monday and Tuesday. Theatrical artists have both confidence and sensitivity from Wednesday through Friday, so launch your big production then. Put your visions down on paper Saturday and Sunday.

Aries (March 21-April 19). Get friends to help you change things around at home on Monday. Take care of a private matter on Tuesday. You're at the top of your game from Wednesday through Friday. Start things, finish things, take risks, and make promises. You'll get to work overtime this weekend. Don't complain - it'll be good for you. Do a job that requires patience and absolute perfection.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Authority figures may seem oppressive on Monday. Confide to your friend instead of rebelling outright. The pressure starts to ease on Tuesday, partially because you're getting involved with other things. Secret negotiations Wednesday could lead to nice improvements to your home by Thursday or Friday. This

weekend is excellent for romance. If you don't have a date, attend a party, and find one.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Put money down on a travel opportunity Monday; it'll be lots of fun even if it does require scrimping for awhile. You may find a way to make more money as soon as Tuesday. Your friends can help you with a tough assignment and a tough professor, between Wednesday and Friday. Let them. Stay home and clean house over the weekend. Your folks or a reasonable facsimile may drop in without calling ahead.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Finish up old business, and hand in overdue papers on Monday. Your luck changes for the better on Tuesday. A foreign connection could lead to a great opportunity. Finances require your full attention from Wednesday through Friday. Make major buying and selling decisions then. If you're well organized this weekend, you can get an amazing amount done. If you're not, you can waste the whole time day-dreaming.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Finish an overdue assignment on Monday. Secret financial dealings could turn a nice profit on

Tuesday. You're drawing a lot of attention from Wednesday through Friday. You're most effective on Wednesday. You could have a communications problem Thursday, and you need to finish things up on Friday. Travel causes unexpected expenses over the weekend. Check your hoses and fluid levels before you take off on your trip.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Work with a group on Monday and you can overcome a barrier together. On Tuesday, a partnership becomes appealing. Use a friend's ideas to help you finish a difficult assignment by Friday. You'll come into your own over the weekend. There's work to be done, but you need some time for yourself and one special person. Make sure it happens.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You could discover surprising data if you dig for it this week. Ignore an older person's sarcastic remark on Monday. Concentrate on your work or you'll never finish on time Tuesday. Social activities dominate your agenda from Wednesday through Friday. You could meet some excellent romantic prospects, too. Finish work that's almost overdue this weekend. Take the time to do it perfectly. Even little errors will be noticeable.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A problem that has had you stuck for the past few weeks is almost solved. Discuss it with a foreign

friend on Monday. Go someplace to celebrate together on Tuesday. Comply with your coach's requests from Wednesday through Friday. If you've got a job, those are also good days to go for a raise or promotion. Friends and lovers vie for your attention this weekend.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Don't leave loose ends dangling. Finish as much as possible - it's empowering. Pay bills and put money into savings on Monday and Tuesday. If you need a student loan, those are your best days to apply. From Wednesday through Friday, your attention is on sports, romance and travel, not necessarily in that order. Put in changes that an older person requests over the weekend.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A partner tests you to your limits and beyond on Monday. He or she can help you get the money you need on Tuesday. Hunt for the buried treasure on Wednesday and you are liable to find it Thursday. Dig into savings for a trip that starts Friday night and goes clear through the weekend. Ask a neighbor to cover for you at home and return the favor later.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Finish up everything you can on Monday. By Tuesday, you'll need to start finding more ways to make money. Not to worry - you'll be very imaginative. Friends and your partner help

you learn new skills from Wednesday through Friday. Let them teach you something you have been afraid to try. Go shopping over the weekend for a tool that will help you stay organized. You will find the perfect item.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). You and your sweetie may have trouble finding time to yourselves on Monday, but you'll be luckier Tuesday. Indeed, from Tuesday on, you will be luckier in just about everything, since the sun is going into your sign. Happy birthday. You will still have lots of work from Wednesday through Friday. A meticulous friend can help you get organized this weekend, if you'll simply do what you are told.

If You are Having a Birthday This Week ... Born Feb. 17: The work you do now will make your future secure, so do not complain. Enjoy it. Born Feb. 18: You are lucky in love, with games, and in matters involving children this year.

Congratulations. Born Feb. 19-21: Learn how to obey orders this year and your success is assured. Provide whatever is needed and you will prosper.

Born Feb. 22-23: Your lesson involves partnerships, getting organized and working efficiently. Learn it, and make your dreams materialize.

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How to fight the winter blues and be a winner

BY DEBORAH L. WADE
Wellness Council

Perhaps the worst of winter is its darkness. The lack of light depresses us. We feel when we wake up and go to work or school it is dark, and when we return home it is also dark. It is felt not enough day light is experienced.

Some of us get through the winter without much psychological discomfort and others of us experience considerable discomfort. Those of us who experience the most discomfort suffer from what is known as Seasonal Affective Disorder (S.A.D.).

S.A.D. is labeled by Dr. Norman Rosenthal, author of "Winter Blues: Seasonal Affective Disorder, What it is and How To Overcome it?" This label is also endorsed by the National Organization for Seasonal

Affective Disorders. S.A.D. is a form of mild to moderate depression, that usually begins in late fall and lasts through the winter months. The depression usually disappears in the spring. The common symptoms of S.A.D. include: feeling sad and depressed for no particular reason, feeling anxious, withdrawing from social situations, overeating and difficulty concentrating. These symptoms escalate around December, January, and February; and begin to decline when the days become longer and brighter.

The symptoms of S.A.D. can reach such a magnitude that it interferes with one's ability to function adequately. Here is an example, a person who rarely misses work, but now as winter approaches, it has become more difficult for him to get out of bed.

Some people tend to shirk responsibilities because of loss of interest and motivations. They may have symptoms of S.A.D. When symptoms interfere with levels of functioning, professional help may be indicated.

Two forms of professional treatment seem to work best. The use of phototherapy (light treatment) which entails sitting near a special light box (full spectrum light). It is light five to ten times brighter than ordinary room lighting. One would sit for two hours or more a day under the light. The experts feel that light entering the eye corrects a brain chemistry and physiological imbalance in you.

The second effective treatment for S.A.D. sufferers are the use of anti-depressant medications.

For those whom the winter

blues do not interfere with daily activities, yet, the blues are troublesome, here are a few helpful hints that are used at the Counseling Center. Most students who come to the Center complain of not being motivated, loss of interest in school, procrastination and just not being able to "get into" the semester. The counselors first educate people on the idea that they may be going through S.A.D., and the following activities are then encouraged:

□ Stay in school and attend classes no matter what. This feeling will pass.

□ Don't isolate yourself - call friends, plan activities for most free days (aside from attending classes, studying and work). Be around people who are upbeat, positive and pleasant to be around.

□ Take advantage of December holidays, plan a super bowl party in January, Valentines day activity in February and St. Patrick's day activity in March.

□ Emerge yourself in good reading materials that are not school or work related. It is a good device to get your mind off of winter blues.

□ Join a health club that has a sauna, whirlpool, swimming, steam room and a masseuse available. The idea is to pamper yourself.

□ Exercise. A good time to find a winter sport.

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